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Supreme Court Clerk
P.O. Box 30052
Lansing, MI 48909

Re: PROPOSED COURT RULE NO. 2003-47

I came to the United States from Acapulco in the early 80's. One of the most important things to me, upon receiving my citizenship about five years later, was the privilege of all citizens, including me, to be treated fairly as a result of our legal system, both in Washington and my chosen state of Michigan.

Now I feel that I must question, in a very personal way, this system with respect to the attempt by the Michigan Supreme Court to LEGISLATE (not INTERPRET -- which is their constitutional role in the system) to implement a decision that would deny so many asbestos victims their promised rights under the Michigan Constitution to a fair and truly democratic hearing by jury in this very personal, very serious area of their lives. That's what I believed when I became a citizen, what I would like to continue to believe and what many, many other people affected by this attempt have always believed.

My husband, now deceased, was able to receive a fair settlement from the company responsible for the deterioration of his health caused by asbestos (and since he died suddenly at age 63 and had not been diagnosed close to the time of his death of any other major problem, I sometimes wonder if the exposure to asbestos over so many years was not directly or indirectly a contributing factor in his death.)

It is my very sincere request and my heartfelt wish that ALL OF THE MEN AND WOMEN who are truly victims of (1) the company they worked for and (2) now, the attempt to deny them their constitutional access to address the wrong done to them by permitting the Supreme Court of Michigan to usurp the Legislative powers in this decision so important to their very lives WILL BE HEARD by the proper arm of the judicial system --the LEGISLATURE, WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY IT IS and NOT the SUPREME COURT WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY IT ISN'T.

Thank you for your attention (AND HOPEFULLY THE ATTENTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COURT) to my request and, undoubtedly the requests of many others. I hope these requests will accomplish their rightful purpose and that I can go on believing in the permanence and importance of our legal system that means so much to me.

Sincerely,
(Mrs.) Blanca Forth
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